ATTACHMENT K

Sensitivity Analysis of Shortage Assumptions

This attachment to the Colorado River Interim Surplus Criteria DEIS illustrates the water surface elevations of Lakes Powell and Mead when modeled using a shortage assumption other than was used in the DEIS. In the DEIS analysis, it was assumed that the Lake Mead water surface elevation of 1083 feet msl would be protected by determining the existence of a shortage condition when the operation threatened to draw the water level below that elevation. For the sensitivity analysis, a Lake Mead water surface elevation of 1050 feet msl was used as the assumed water level to be protected. The results of the sensitivity analysis are shown by plots of reservoir water levels for Lakes Mead and Powell contained in this attachment. The plots were produced by the CRSS model configured in the same manner as for the analysis using the Lake Mead water level of 1083 feet msl as a protection level. In both cases an 80 percent probability of protecting the Lake Mead water level was programmed into the model.

50th Percentile 10th Percentile 90th Percentile Resulting from Protection of Lake Mead Water Level of 1050 Feet MSL Calendar Year Lake Powell End of Year Water Elevations 90th, 50th and 10th Percentile Values -X-Shortage Protection Alternative -A-Six States Alternative -B-California Alternative --- Baseline Conditions Water Elevation (feet)

90th, 50th and 10th Percentile Values Resulting from Protection of Lake Mead Water Level of 1050 Feet MSL Lake Mead End of Year Water Elevations

